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SUBJECT: UK SAFEGUARDS VIEWS

1. ON SEPTEMBER 26, KRATZER AND BORIGHT MET WITH THOMSON, HERZIG, WILMSHURST AND SLATER FOR BRIEF DISCUSSION OF UK INTEREST IN STANDARD SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT TO COVER ALL NUCLEAR MATERIAL IN NON-NPT PARTY STATES.
2. US REPS NOTED IMPORTANCE OF DETAILED SUPPLIER CONSULTATION TO ANALYSE SUBSTANCE AND TACTICAL PROCEDURES ON SUBJECT OF "STANDARD" IAEA SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENTS, AND POINTED OUT THAT THERE IS SOME POTENTIAL COST, IN TERMS OF SAFEGUARDS EFFECTIVENESS, IN OPENING UP SUCH DISCUSSION IN IAEA BOARD OR IN SAFEGUARDS COMMITTEE.
3. UK ASSURED US THEY WOULD PROCEED ONLY AFTER DETAILED DISCUSSION WITH U.S. AND OTHER SUPPLIERS. DURING DISCUSSION OF TACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS, UK SAID THEIR HOPE WAS THAT NON-NPT NNWS WOULD ACCEPT NEW STANDARD SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT AS SORT OF "NEW DEAL," AND THAT ACCEPTANCE WOULD COME IN PAIRS, I.E. BRAZIL-ARGENTINA, ETC. US REPS EXPRESSED SOME DOUBT THAT KEY NNWS WOULD REACT IN THAT WAY.
4. RE TIMING OF NEXT NUCLEAR SUPPLIERS' MEETING,
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THOMSON SAID HE WOULD HOPE THAT CANADIAN DEMARCHES ARE

MADE THIS WEEK (I.E. BY OCT 4), AFTER WHICH A QUICK
ROUND OF BILATERALS WOULD TAKE PLACE AND UK WOULD
ON ABOUT OCTOBER 10 SEND OUT NOTICE OF SUGGESTED DATE
FOR LONDON MEETING, PREFERRED DATE BEING OCTOBER 28.
ONE POTENTIAL PROBLEM IS THAT MOROKHOV HAS SAID IT WILL
BE DIFFICULT FOR HIM TO BE AVAILABLE IN LATE OCTOBER
OR EARLY NOVEMBER. TAPE

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